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DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM

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MARY L.M. MORAN
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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE TERRITORY OF GUAM**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN V. M. CRUZ,

Defendant.

CRIMINAL CASE NO. 05-00053-003

**STIPULATION OF PARTIES TO
CONTINUE STATUS HEARING**

The parties in the above-entitled matter, the United States of America, and the defendant, through his counsel, Joaquin C. Arriola, Jr., hereby stipulate to continue the Status Hearing currently scheduled for May 2, 2006, at 2:30 p.m. to a date sometime after May 31, 2006.

The parties make the foregoing request for the reasons that defendant is cooperating with the government, and that he is also scheduled to be called upon as a witness for the government against co-defendants, Christopher M. Espinosa and Brian William Elm. Trial for co-defendants

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1 Espinosa and Elm is scheduled for May 15, 2006. The additional time is necessary so that the
2 parties can fully assess the nature and extent of the defendant's cooperation.

3 SO STIPULATED:

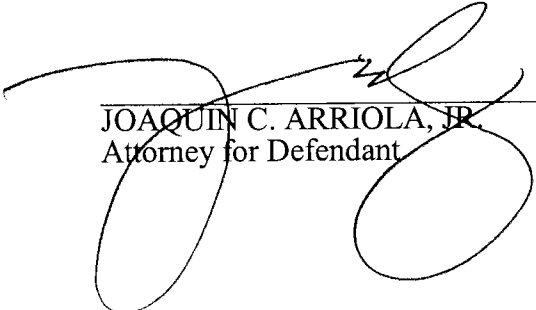
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7 DATED: 4-4-06

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